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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

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Delete the paragraph on page 1, line 12 of the specification.

Replace the paragraph on page 3, between lines 9-11 of the specification with the following:

PHQ 98023 / WO 99/0948 / EP aaplication application number 99919490.5 addresses the problems described above by allowing RDS control to be executed for producing high efficiency control bits bits.

Replace the paragraph on page 4, between lines 18-19 of the specification with the following:

A further embodiment of the present invention is characterized in that N equals 2.

Replace the paragraph on page 4, between lines 25-28 of the specification with the following:

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A further embodiment of the invention is characterized in that after the step of coding the stream of precoded input words into a stream of groups of N code words the method comprises the step of storing the groups of N code words in using the groove position modulation on the storage-medium medium.

Replace the paragraph on page 5, between lines 14-16 of the specification with the following:

A further advantage of this embodiment is that the d, k and RMTR constraints of the code are maintained since the standard 17PP coder is used to encode the precoded input words... words.

Replace the paragraph on page 6, between lines 20-22 of the specification with the following:

A further embodiment of the invention is characterized in that before the step of storing the groups of N code words in using the groove position modulation on the storage medium remaining DC components are removed using a high-pass filter filter.

Replace the paragraph on page 7, line 8 of the specification

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with the following:

Figure 1 shows a system using the precoder precoder.

Replace the paragraph on page 7, line 9 of the specification with the following:

Figure 2 shows a receiver according to the invention an embodiment.

Replace the paragraph on page 7, line 10 of the specification with the following:

Figure 3 shows an example encoding of input-words words.

Replace the paragraph on page 7, line 11 of the specification with the following:

Figure 4 shows the RDS of a signal according to the invention an embodiment.

Replace the paragraph on page 7, line 13 of the specification with the following:

Figure 6 shows the table used by the-decoder decoder.

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Replace the paragraph on page 7, lines 14-15 of the specification with the following:

Figure 7 shows the spectral content of the code words when using a 17PP-coder coder.

Replace the paragraph on page 8, line 26 of the specification with the following:

Figure 3 shows an example encoding of input-words words.

Replace the paragraph on page 9, line 22 of the specification with the following:

Figure 4 shows the RDS of a signal according to the invention an embodiment.

Replace the paragraph on page 10, lines 22-23 of the specification with the following:

Figure 7 shows the power spectral density of the code words when using a 17PP-coder coder.